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Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on ____.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) ____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) ____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) ____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 05 December 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. ____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Priority

1. Acknowledgment is made of applicant's claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d).

Information Disclosure Statement

2. The information disclosure statement (IDS) submitted on 12/5/2003 and 12/15/2004 have been placed in record and considered by the examiner.

Claim Objections

3. Claim 1 is objected to because of the following informalities:

Regarding claim 1, lines 3 – 4 of the claim recite, "URL" the acronym URL should be fully spelled out and write URL in parenthesis.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

4. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

5. Claim 6 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Regarding claim 6, lines 2 – 3 of the claim it recites, "wherein said call from said calling subscriber terminal to said called subscriber terminal is access

in multiple access. Based on the claimed language, it is unclear what the applicant is trying to achieve.

A further explanation and clarification of this claim limitation is requested to better understand the claimed language.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

7. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Sugane (US 2003/0064715 A1).

Regarding claim 1, Sugane discloses a web access providing system comprising web connecting means for, in response to a call from a calling subscriber terminal to a called subscriber terminal, sending a URL to connect the call to a web page associated with said called subscriber terminal, said URL being associated with the subscriber number of said called subscriber terminal (Sugane; Page 3, Paragraph 0038, line 1 through Page 4, Paragraph 0039, line 11) and being stored in said called subscriber terminal (Sugane; Page 3, Paragraph 0034, line 18 through Paragraph 0035, line 4), whereby said system

allows said calling subscriber terminal to access said web page (Sugane; Page 4, Paragraph 0043, lines 1 – 7).

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

8. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

9. Claims 2 – 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sugane in view of Gallant (US 2002/0137490 A1).

Regarding claim 2, Sugane as applied above does not specifically disclose an authentication means for performing authentication of the subscriber number of said calling subscriber terminal in response to said call, wherein said web connecting means connects said call to said web page associated with said called subscriber terminal depending on the result of said authentication by said authentication means. In an analogous art, Gallant remedies the deficiencies of Sugane by disclosing verifying privileges of the first user (calling station) prior to reaching the second user (called station) (Gallant; Page 5, Paragraph 0061, lines 1 – 14). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to provide the technique of Gallant to the system of Sugane to provide an improved call screening service by maintaining

user profile information to control the screening of inbound communications requests.

Regarding claim 3, Sugane in view of Gallant as applied above discloses wherein the authentication by said authentication means verifies that the subscriber number of said calling subscriber terminal is contained in a subscriber number list associated with said called subscriber terminal (Gallant; Page 5, Paragraph 0062, line 1 through Paragraph 0065, line 9).

Regarding claim 4, Sugane in view of Gallant as applied above discloses wherein said subscriber number list is a telephone directory stored in said called subscriber terminal (Gallant; Page 5, Paragraph 0062, line 1 through Paragraph 0065, line 9).

10. Claims 5, 6 and 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Sugane in view of Gallant as applied to claim 3 above, and further in view of Adachi et al. (US 6,978,148 B2).

Regarding claim 5, Sugane in view of Gallant as applied above does not specifically disclose wherein said authentication is performed in said called subscriber terminal. In an analogous art, Adachi remedies the deficiencies of Sugane in view of Gallant by disclosing said authentication is performed at the terminal (Adachi; Col. 25, lines 6 – 37). Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to provide the technique of Adachi to the modified system of Sugane in view of Gallant in order

to provide a secure and efficient way for the user, so that it can only communicate with the terminal of a desired communication party among a number of terminals.

Regarding claim 6, Sugane in view of Gallant and further in view of Adachi as applied above discloses wherein said call from said calling subscriber terminal to said called subscriber terminal is access in multiple access (Adachi; Col. 25, lines 6 – 37).

Regarding claim 7, the claim is interpreted and rejected for the same reason as set forth in claim 6.

Conclusion

11. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Kalish et al. (US 2002/0077085 A1) discloses a method of connecting network URL addresses through cellular network.

Floden et al. (US 6,230,002 B1) discloses a method and associated apparatus for selectively permitting access by a mobile terminal to a packet data network.

McClain (US 2004/0097217 A1) discloses a system and method for providing authentication and authorization utilizing a personal wireless communication device.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Un C. Cho whose telephone number is (571) 272-7919. The examiner can normally be reached on M ~ F 8:00AM to 4:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, George Eng can be reached on (571) 272-7495. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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